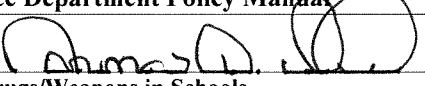


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JUVENILES:

- 513.01 When any juvenile student is observed selling/ possessing drugs, or is in possession of a dangerous weapon on the grounds of a public, private or parochial school, and the principal or other school representative reports the incident to the 911 dispatcher, they will immediately send at least two (2) patrol officers to the scene.
- 513.02 Prior to contacting the suspect, officers shall contact the school principal or his/her designee. In emergency situations, the officer may contact the suspect prior to the school principal or his/her designee. The school representative will:
- A. Explain the details of the case;
 - B. Identify the student involved and any witnesses;
 - C. Turn over any evidence in his/her possession to the reporting officer.
- 513.03 Officers shall not interrogate any juvenile under fourteen (14) years of age without first obtaining consent from the juvenile's parent(s) or legal guardian(s) in accordance with Policy 305.02 Interrogating Juveniles.
- 513.04 Interrogation of a suspect ages fourteen (14) through seventeen (17) does not require the officer to request if he/she wants to have his/her parent(s) present. The officer shall read the Miranda Warning to the suspect and obtain a valid waiver prior to the start of questioning.
- 513.05 Only law enforcement personnel will be involved in the criminal interview of a pupil who is a suspect while on school grounds. Officers shall complete a "Verification of Law Enforcement Contact with Pupil" form provided by the school indicating the reason(s) for the pupil contact. This form will remain on file with the school.
- 513.06 When the reporting officer has finished interviewing the suspect and any witnesses, he/she will contact his/her supervisor to review the facts of the case before leaving the scene. The supervisor shall then decide whether the suspect shall be:
- A. Arrested and taken to the Juvenile Intake Assessment Center or issued an Agreement to Appear (per Policy 305.13), unless an aggravated assault is involved in which case the juvenile shall be taken to the Juvenile Detention Facility per Policy 305-Juvenile Arrests; or
 - B. Released to school authorities at the scene, unless the suspect is exhibiting disruptive behavior or has been suspended/expelled from school. In this situation, the suspect's parent/guardian shall be contacted to take custody of the suspect.

ADULTS:

- 513.07 It is a violation of federal law for an adult to knowingly possess a firearm, or to sell/possess illegal drugs within 1,000 feet of, or while in/on the grounds of a public, parochial, or private school. "School" is defined as a school which provides elementary or secondary education, as determined under State law.
- 513.08 Should an officer have occasion to arrest an adult for possession of a firearm and/or possession of illegal drugs within 1,000 feet of, or while in/on the grounds of public, parochial, or private school, the officer shall book the adult hold for state warrant.
- 513.09 Any evidence obtained through an arrest under this policy shall be properly submitted as per Policy 708-Physical Evidence/Found Property and Personal Property.